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SUBJECT: HUMAN RIGHTS IN CAMEROON

REF: YAOUNDE 3290 AND PREVIOUS

1. AF/C DESK OFFICER GAVE COPY OF HUMAN RIGHTS SECTION OF HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT ON FOREIGN ASSISTANCE TO AMBASSADOR BINDZI. INFORMED HIM THAT CAMEROON INCLUDED ON LIST BECAUSE OF NEGATIVE 1976-77 AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL REPORT AND LOW RANKING IN 1977-78 FREEDOM HOUSE SURVEY. DEPTOFF SAID THESE WERE PRIVATE NON-PROFIT INSTITUTIONS, GENERALLY WELL RESPECTED AMONG MEMBERS OF CONGRESS, BUT DID NOT REFLECT USG ATTITUDE VIS-A-VIS COUNTRIES MENTIONED IN REPORTS.

2. BINDZI APPRECIATED RECEIVING REPORT AND SAID CAMEROON'S INCLUSION ON LIST REFLECTED DIFFERENT CULTURAL AND POLITICAL VALUES. HE UNDERSTOOD, HOWEVER, THAT GROUPS SUCH AS
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AI OR FH DO HAVE INFLUENCE AND THAT USG IS REQUIRED TO SUBMIT ANNUAL REPORTS ON HUMAN RIGHTS CONDITIONS IN COUNTRIES RECEIVING U.S. ASSISTANCE TO CONGRESS. VANCE

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